Naval Vessel Historical Evaluation

FINAL DETERMINATION

This evaluation is unclassified

Name	Hull Number
SHRIKE	MHC 62
Vessel Class	Previous Vessel Designation (if any)
OSPREY (MHC 51)-class coastal minehunter	none
Vessel Location	Current Status
Beaumont (TX) Reserve Fleet	Stricken, to be disposed of

Initial Evaluation		
Date	Initial Finding	
29 February 2012	Ineligible	
Final Evaluation Date	Eligibility for Listing to the National Register of Historic Places	
29 May 2012	Ineligible	

Vessel Snapshot

Lineage	Second U.S. Navy ship to be named SHRIKE
Displacement	918 tons
Length	188 ft (overall)
Beam	38 ft (extreme)
Draft	11ft
Speed	10+ knots
Propulsion	Diesel engines, twin screws
Armament	2 .50 caliber machine guns
Laid Down	12 September 1995

Launched	24 May 1997
Built By	Intermarine USA, Savannah, GA
Sponsor	Mrs. Janet Johnson Gehman, wife of Admiral Harold Gehman, Jr., USN
Delivered	11 January 1999
Commissioned	31 May 1999
Inactivated	1 December 2007
Decommissioned	1 December 2007
Stricken	1 December 2007

Vessel History

Deployment Summary	Ship's mission was to clear harbor, coastal, and ocean waters of acoustical, magnetic, and pressure/contact type mines utilizing reconnaissance, classification and neutralization tactics. Reconnaissance, neutralization of all types of moored and bottom mines in littoral areas, harbors, and coastal waterways; GOMEX 2005; PANAMAX 2006; minesweeping exercises in Gulf of Mexico
Awards	Three mission area "excellent" awards. Two crewmembers received Navy Achievement Medals "above and beyond call of duty" for rescuing a woman in the Mississippi River.
Noteworthy Events	Ship was transferred to Naval Reserve Force 11 January 2000 and used to train reservists.
DANFS* Entry	None as yet.

Criteria Evaluation¹

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i. Was the vessel awarded an individual	No
Presidential Unit Citation?	
ii. Did an individual act of heroism take	No
place aboard the vessel such that an	
individual was subsequently awarded	
the Medal of Honor or the Navy	
Cross?	
iii. Was a President of the United States	No
assigned to the vessel during his or	
her naval service?	
iv. Was the vessel was the first to	No
incorporate engineering, weapons	
systems, or other upgrades that	
represent a revolutionary change in	
naval design or warfighting	
capabilities?	
v. Did some other historic or socially	No
significant event occur on board the	
vessel?	
Historic Evaluation Conclusion	Ineligible
Assessment of integrity of (as appropriate)	n/a
design, materials, workmanship, feeling	
and/or association (only for vessels	
determined to be eligible)	

F. Kieschnick, "Final Four MHCs Decommission," Navy News 5 December
2007
"USS SHRIKE Set to Arrive for Homeporting at Ingleside," News Release 19
April 1999
Program, Commissioning Ceremony, USS SHRIKE (MHC 62), 31 May
1999, Baton Rouge
www.navsource.org
NHHC Ship History Files

Historic Preservation Stakeholder Comment

¹ Evaluation conducted using triggers established for naval vessels in *Program Comment for the Department of Navy for the Disposition of Historic Vessels*, issued by the Advisory Council for Historic Preservation on 15 March 2010.

Historic preservation stakeholder comments received are considered when preparing final determinations. The initial determination for this vessel was made available for comment by historic preservation stakeholders for 60 days. During that time, the Navy received no written comments.

Comments Received	Comment Disposition